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ASSISTANCE PLANNING FOR CYPRUS

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4553, DEC 23, 1974.

1. SUMMARY: DM 2 MILLION ADDITION FRG ALLOCATION
FOR REFUGEE RELIEF ANNOUNCED IN NOV IS EXPECTED
TO FUND A FLOW OF CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT AND FOODSTUFFS
DURING FIRST 4 MONTHS OF 1975. WHILE FRG DOES NOT
INTEND MAKE ANY FURTHER GRANTS FOR REFUGEE RELIEF,
IT IS PREPARED OFFER DM 18 MILLION IN CAPITAL ASSISTANCE
IN 1975 AND IS PREPARED TO IMPLEMENT
SEVERAL NEW TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS. HOWEVER,
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FRG IS UNWILLING OFFER EITHER CAPITAL OR NEW

TECHNICAL AID TO A GOVERNMENT THAT DOES NOT REPRESENT ALL OF CYPRUS. THUS NEW FRG AID WILL NOT BE FORTHCOMING UNTIL A POLITICAL SOLUTION IS FOUND. END SUMMARY.

2. SECOND TRANCHE OF FRG REFUGEE RELIEF ANNOUNCED BY FRG INTERIOR MIN STATESEC BAUM DURING HIS NOV 27-29 VISIT TO NICOSIA IS DESIGNED TO AID SPECIFIC REFUGEE GROUPS: TWO TURKISH CAMPS LOCATED IN BRITISH BASES AND A GREEK CAMP NEAR TROODOS. ACCORDING TO EWALD ANDREWS OF INTERIORMIN, FRG RELIEF EFFORTS ARE DESIGNED TO HELP ASSIST REFUGEES IN THESE CAMPS THROUGH THE WINTER MONTHS. SINCE PURPOSE OF FRG HUMANITARIAN AID IS TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY RELIEF, INTERIOR MINISTRY DOES NOT PLAN TO OFFER ADDITIONAL SUPPORT AFTER SHIPMENTS FUNDED BY SECOND TRANCHE ARE COMPLETED. ANDREWS IS ESPECIALLY CONCERNED THAT FRG REFUGEE RELIEF WILL NOT BE USED AS A PROP FOR MORE OR LESS PERMANENT REFUGEE CAMPS, AND CITED PALESTINE AS A MODEL WHICH MUST BE AVOIDED.

3. FRG ECONOMIC COOPERATION MINISTRY, WHICH HAS PROVIDED CAPITAL AND TECHNICAL AID TO CYPRUS SINCE 1962, IS PREPARED REINSTATE BOTH TYPES OF PROGRAMS AS SOON AS IT CAN DEAL WITH A GOVERNMENT IN CYPRUS RESPONSIBLE FOR BOTH TURKISH AND GREEK REGIONS. ACCORDING TO FELSCH, WHO HEADS EUROPEAN DESK, FRG IS PREPARED OFFER DM 18 MILLION (ABOUT \$7.5 MILLION) IN CAPITAL AID (DM 8 MILLION BUDGETED IN 1974 AND DM 10 MILLION IN 1975). IN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AREA, ECON COOP MIN HALTED MOST PROGRAMS AFTER THE OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES. HOWEVER, A NUMBER OF VETERINARIAN STATIONS OPERATING IN BOTH REGIONS STILL HAVE OFFICIAL SUPPORT. SEVERAL NEW PROJECTS ARE BEING DEVELOPED, IN AREAS OF REFORESTATION, SAW MILL

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OPERATION, AND IRRIGATION. AS IS CASE WITH CAPITAL AID, IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE PROJECTS WILL BE HELD UP UNTIL POLITICAL SETTLEMENT ACHIEVED.

4. FELSCH EXPRESSED INTEREST IN CONSULTING WITH US ON CYPRIOT REQUESTS FOR SPECIFIC CAPITAL OR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS. NOTING THAT IN PAST CYPRUS HAS OFTEN APPROACHED SEVERAL POTENTIAL DONORS FOR HELP WITH THE SAME PROJECT, FELSCH THOUGHT THAT USG AND FRG COULD SAVE CONSIDERABLE EFFORT THROUGH SUCH CONSULTATION. IN RESPONSE, WE COMMENTED THAT GOC REQUESTS FOR AID SEEMED TO EMANATE FROM VARIOUS MINISTRIES, AND TO BE INFORMAL IN NATURE, AND AGREED THAT IT WORTH EXPLORING HOW WE COULD
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CONSULT MORE CLOSELY. QUACK, WHO HANDLES CYPRUS AID QUESTIONS IN FRG ECONCOOPMIN, PLANS VISIT NICOSIA IN ABOUT A MONTH. WE SUGGESTED HE SHOULD TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CALL ON US EMBASSY OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS STATUS OF GOC AID REQUESTS.

5. COMMENT: IN CONTRAST WITH RELUCTANCE OF FRG OFFICIALS DEALING WITH REFUGEE RELIEF TO EXTEND RELIEF PROGRAM FURTHER, FRG AID OFFICIALS ARE EAGER TO RESUME LONG HISTORY OF COOPERATION

WITH GOC. THEY HAVE FAIRLY SIZEABLE RESOURCES
AT THEIR DISPOSAL, AND ARE IN PROCESS OF EXAMINING
CYPRIOT NEEDS AND DRAWING UP PROGRAMS IN BOTH CAPITAL
AND TECHNICAL AID FIELDS. AT THIS JUNCTURE WE
BELIEVE MUCH COULD BE GAINED BY RESPONDING
FAVORABLY TO FRG INTEREST IN CONSULTING ON AID
TO CYPRUS.
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